## City of Alpena

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## **Arbor Day**

The City of Alpena will be observing Arbor Day on Friday, April 27, 2018, by raising the Tree City USA Flag at City Hall.

Arbor Day is a special day set aside for the planting of trees around the world. However, due to the weather and less than ideal conditions, Arbor Day tree planting in the City of Alpena will be delayed until further notice.

Arbor Day was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska. Now it is observed throughout the nation and the world. Trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife. Trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and countless other wood products. Trees in our City increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautifies our community.

The City of Alpena has been recognized as a Tree City USA community by the National Arbor Day Foundation and desires to continue its tree-planting endeavors.